# Review of CDBG Funding By Type of Project and Fund Allocation

#### **Background**

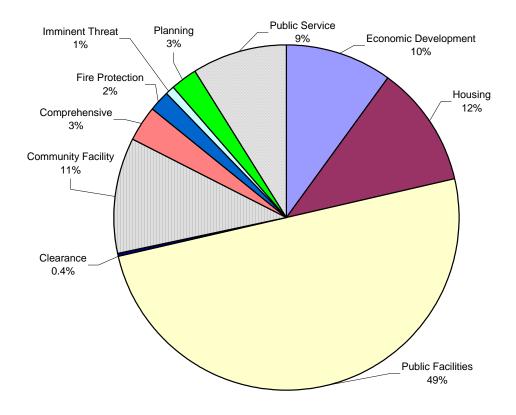
The WA State Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program seeks to provide flexible grant and technical assistance using methods of distribution that ensure funds are available to respond to the wide variety of emerging community development needs identified by local governments. The types of projects funded are largely dependent upon the projects prioritized by the local government applicants as meeting the needs of the low- and moderate-income persons in their communities.

The CDBG funds are allocated into seven funds or programs, each of which uses a different method of distribution:

- The <u>Community Investment Fund</u> distributes resources in support of locally identified projects that have emerged through the Washington Community Economic Revitalization Team priority process (WA-CERT), or the Federal Rural Enterprise Initiative. Funded projects provide benefits to low- and moderate-income individuals through projects that are also significant on a sub-state, regional or countywide basis in terms of economic diversification and community stability. Project selection is made on a funds available basis, using a collaborative process that includes federal, state, and local funding sources. Award decisions require the review and approval of CTED's Resource Team.
- The <u>General Purpose Grant</u> program distributes funds to eligible jurisdictions following an annual statewide competitive application process. It funds projects in the following categories: community facility, comprehensive, economic development, housing, or public facility.
- Housing Enhancement Grants are companion funds to the Housing Trust Fund (HTF)
  activities that are essential to a project's success, are not eligible for HTF, and fill a financial
  gap in project funding. Grant decisions and awards are made in coordination with the HTF
  Program's funding cycle.
- Housing Rehabilitation Grants are non-competitive grants, which are available throughout the year on a fund available basis.
- Imminent Threat Grants fund jurisdictions facing urgent needs beyond their ability to address
  with potential impacts on public health and safety. Awards are made on a funds available
  basis.
- <u>Planning-Only Grants</u> are available throughout the year on a funds available basis to eligible
  jurisdictions to plan the implementation of priority projects that principally benefit low- and
  moderate-income persons. Award decisions require the review and approval of CTED's
  Resource Team.
- <u>Public Service Grants</u> are distributed using a funding formula to eligible counties that in turn rely upon Community Action Agencies as subrecipients for administration and service delivery that benefit low-income individuals.

The following chart and tables shows the distribution of funds among project types from 2002 through 2004 (to date), and the proposed 2005 fund allocation between these CDBG funds.

### CDBG Funding (2002-2004) By Type of Project



Project Type	2002		2003		2004		TOTALS	
Economic Development								
Float Loan	\$	700,000	\$	1,905,000			\$	2,605,000
Microenterprise	\$	150,000			\$	250,000	\$	400,000
Other Econ Dev	\$	700,000			\$	250,000	\$	950,000
Rural WA Loan Fund			\$	1,414,000	\$	700,000	\$	2,114,000
Housing								
Housing	\$	27,850	\$	750,000			\$	777,850
Housing Rehab	\$	2,142,422	\$	1,607,563	\$	2,517,210	\$	6,267,195
Public Facilities								
Other Public Facility	\$	70,000	\$	742,340	\$	623,878	\$	1,436,218
Sewer	\$	1,980,000	\$	6,999,376	\$	3,516,165	\$	12,495,541
Streets					\$	732,200	\$	732,200
Water	\$	6,651,324	\$	4,101,628	\$	5,139,150	\$	15,892,102
Clearance			\$	225,000			\$	225,000
Community Facility	\$	2,100,000	\$	2,065,025	\$	2,467,300	\$	6,632,325
Comprehensive	\$	750,000	\$	600,000	\$	530,787	\$	1,880,787
Fire Protection			\$	300,000	\$	905,413	\$	1,205,413
Imminent Threat	\$	522,962					\$	522,962
Planning	\$	711,523	\$	370,500	\$	532,000	\$	1,614,023
Public Service	\$	1,775,000	\$	1,775,000	\$	1,845,850	\$	5,395,850
TOTAL	\$	18,281,082	\$	22,855,432	\$	20,009,953	\$	61,146,467

### SUMMARY OF FUNDS ALLOCATION PER CDBG PROGRAM

## 2003 – 2005 (proposed)

CDBG Program	2003 Funds Allocated in Action Plan (not including Contingency)	2003 Funds Obligated (including Contingency)	2003 Number of Projects	2004 Funds Allocated in Action Plan (not including Contingency)	2004 Funds Obligated To-Date (including Contingency)	2004 Number of Projects (Anticipated)	2005 Funds Allocated in Action Plan (Proposed)	2005 Number of Projects (Anticipated)
Community Investment Fund	\$4,845,000	\$7,550,000	10	\$4,500,000	\$5,919,200	12	\$5,169,030	7
General Purpose Grant	\$7,168,225	\$7,168,225	15	\$8,000,000	\$9,508,115	18	\$7,500,000	15
Housing Enhancement Grant	\$1,000,000	\$742,340	2	\$1,185,000	\$236,578	4	\$1,000,000	5
Housing Rehabilitation Grant	(Hsg Rehab activities funded by GP Grant)	N/A	N/A	\$1,000,000	\$2,517,210	6	\$1,500,000	4
Imminent Threat Grant	\$400,000	0	0	\$400,000	0	0	\$300,000	2
Planning- Only Grant	\$400,000	\$370,500	18	\$500,000	\$724,000	26	\$600,000	22
Public Service Grant	\$1,775,000	\$1,775,000	15	\$1,775,000	\$1,845,850	15	\$1,775,000	12
TOTAL	\$15,588,225	\$17,606,065	60	\$17,360,00	\$20,750,953	81	\$17,844,030	67

CDBG had an unusual amount of contingency funds available to supplement the 2003 and 2004 annual allocations from HUD. These Contingency funds were obligated, so it is anticipated the level of Contingency funds available for 2005 will be minimal.